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Letter from the editor

By the time you read this, our staff will have already spent many, many hours deciding what we want to do this year, for you. Our hopes and dreams are pretty simple, and yes, we did sit down in a circle sharing them among ourselves whilst drinking PBR.

We want to be an organization you're proud of. We want to give you content that makes you excited. Every week, we're going to put together a paper centered around a really special cover story among absolutely stunning visuals, thoughtfully reported stories and a dynamic design that knocks your socks off. Not to mention, a kick-ass website (just you wait).

No matter what you think about us, we aren't doing this just to stir the pot. The wonderful people who work here are over-worked, underpaid and will act like absolute savages to find the truth. They work here because they care about doing what's right, and we stand by one another. Because of this, I couldn't be more proud of the people who fill my newsroom with excitement and passion every day.

Everything we create is thoughtfully reported, edited and fact-checked by the editors and journalists who work here.

For the next year, the Kaimin is my tenure and my responsibility. We will never be

perfect, and you may despise many of the things we do. But for all of it, there's a reason.

The Kaimin is more than just a stack of paper lurking in the corners of campus. We're students, and we care about this school and the happiness of its students more than you know.

If you love what we're doing, tell us. If you hate what we're doing, tell us. If we missed something important, tell us. Our intentions are to give you the content that matters to you, but we make mistakes, and we know that. The only way for us to know what you want and to improve is by hearing your thoughts. Call me, email me, tweet me,

slide into my DMs, come to the Kaimin office and bang on my door. Just speak up.

Whether this is the first time or the hundredth time you're picking up the Kaimin, thank you. Without you, we wouldn't exist.

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BIG UPS & BACKHANDS

Big Ups to the freshmen for dealing with a whole week of orientation.

Backhands to the professors who somehow talk the whole period on syllabus day.



Big Ups to River City Roots for bringing the hippie out of Missoula and the Missoula out of the hippies.



Backhands to Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro. You know what you did.

Big Ups to the MontPIRG volunteers harassing freshmen this week. Get registered!

SUDOKU

Edited by Margie E. Burke

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HOW TO SOLVE:

Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

Answers to Last Week's Sudoku:

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FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT

Missoula Climate Strike held a demonstration in Caras Park last Thursday to declare a “Climate Emergency” in Missoula. The organization is planning a larger school strike for the week of September 20-27 in conjunction with the international efforts advocated for by Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg. (SARA DIGGINS)

CAUGHT IN A WEB

Wiley Education Services was selected as UM’s new online program management company, which will run online classes. The private, for-profit company will be paid 55% of students’ tuition for courses it runs. Provost Jon Harbor is carrying the torch because he thinks UM could “leapfrog the competition” in online learning. (CASSIDY ALEXANDER)



LETS GET TOGETHER

The College of Visual and Performing Arts merged with the School of Journalism into the new College of the Arts and Media this summer. The change came largely due to budget constraints and desires to cut administrative costs. The dean’s position within the School of Journalism was removed and John DeBoer is serving as interim dean. (CA)

KUMBAYA, MY STUDENTS

Summer enrollment was the highest it’s been since 2014, according to preliminary counts. The 3% increase since summer 2018 is attributed to discounted housing and more student support services. Since 2011, overall enrollment has dropped by nearly 30%. University officials are unsure if higher summer enrollment could be a sign of good fortune in UM’s future.

MAKIN’ MONEY MOVES

The University’s former \$10 million deficit has been reduced to a projected \$4 million for the 2020 fiscal year. The deficit is tied to steadily declining enrollment since 2011. UM has yet to release a preliminary budget for 2020 or announce cuts to faculty and staff. (CA)

PRIVACY NOT ALLOWED

Griz Athletics adopted a clear-bag policy, meaning backpacks, purses, coolers, fanny packs and camera bags will not make it through security at home games. Each person is allowed one clear bag the size of a 1-gallon freezer bag and a clutch or wallet. The policy goes into effect for Montana’s 2019 fall athletic season. (CA)

SNIP SNAP

Missoula College established a new 73-credit degree in paramedicine. The program will be taught in partner with Missoula Emergency Services Inc. to train students for careers in emergency medical services. (CA)

THE REPLACEMENTS

The UC swapped quite a few of its features this summer. The deli, which sold the likes of chicken strips and mashed potatoes, is no longer in the Food Court and was replaced with a soup bar. The Docs Sandwiches menu is also now in a large, readable font. The Franke Global Leadership Initiative took home in the former Tech Lounge on the second floor of the UC. Computer work stations are available in the library. The Innovation Factory is open on the second floor, over the Bookstore. It’s home to a “design zone,” a “tinker space” and “work-lab.” Around the UC, you may also see some new and super stylish-ish couches and chairs. (CA)

FAKE FIVE ON BLACK

Harvest in the UC Food Court is now privately owned and raised its prices. Formerly the food-child of UM Dining, small bowls are now \$6 and large bowls are \$8, with the option to pay more for additional ingredients, many of which are new to the menu.

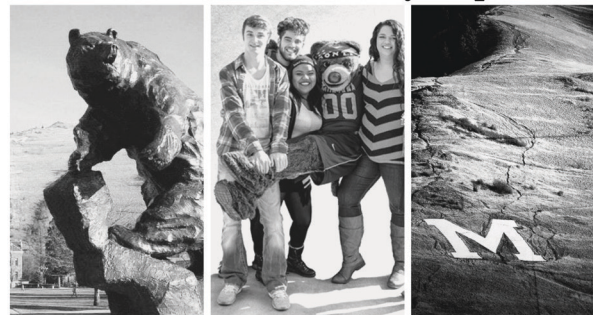


Western Montana Democratic Socialists Andy Erickson, left, and Roy McKenzie stand on Higgins Bridge after unfurling a banner declaring Missoula to be in a state of climate emergency above Caras Park on Aug. 22. The banner was part of a protest organized as a precursor to a series of climate strikes planned for September. SARA DIGGINS | MONTANA KAIMIN



Protestors stand holding hands under the Higgins Street Bridge, looking out onto the crowded Caras Park. The demonstration took place during the weekly Downtown Tonight gathering, which was particularly busy this week with incoming University of Montana freshmen.

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A Montana underdog is running for President

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Montana Governor Steve Bullock is a presidential candidate that has many scratching their heads. As a governor serving in a rural state with little national name recognition, he isn't the typical prototype for a presidential candidate.

Bullock launched his presidential campaign this May at the end of the Montana state legislative session. He is focused on bipartisanship, boasting on his website that he "has been able to bridge partisan divides his entire career" and is running on a progressive platform.

In a field of Democrats, Bullock believes his ability to connect with Trump supporters will help him get things done as President, according to an Atlantic interview. Bullock stated his experiences working with Montana's Republican-controlled legislature to pass a bill for renewed Medicaid expansion in May and a campaign finance reform bill

in 2015 demonstrate his ability to work with Republicans.

"I spoke of working across the aisle to give every Montanan a fair shot, and building upon the progress we have made as a state over the past few years," Bullock said in a Medium post.

One of his main pitches is to disclose "dark money," or money gifted to politicians and political groups by unknown sources, according to the Center for Public Integrity.

However, it's hard to take any of his plans seriously when he's polling at just 0.8%, according to a poll published by Real Clear Politics on Aug. 25. That's about where Republican candidate George Pataki was polling at the same time during the 2016 Republican Primary on Aug. 25, 2015. If you don't remember George Pataki, neither do we.

Despite Bullock's low poll scores, polls historically haven't been accurate for determining election outcomes. In the 2016 Republican primary, which hosted about 16 official candidates, it was pretty much impossible



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to tell who was going to clench the seat. On May 27, 2015, Donald Trump was only polling with 4.5% according to Real Clear Politics, yet went on to win both the primary and the presidency.

Many Democrats, including Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, are also questioning Bullock's run. According to a February Politico Article, Schumer and others hoped Bullock could challenge incumbent Sen. Steve Daines, who is currently positioned to run against Helena Mayor Wilmet Collins and U.S. Navy veteran John Mues in the 2020 Senate race.

But Bullock is adamant about running for president. In a town hall interview with CNN on Sunday night, Bullock felt he was better suited for the presidency than the state Senate.

"Part of it is professional, meaning the whole time I've served as an executive, I've been able to bring people together to get things done," Bullock said. "I think that's where my talents are best suited."

Montana Supreme Court shoots down Krakauer's request for documents

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Author John Krakauer was denied documents describing how the University System handled a rape case involving former star Griz quarterback Jordan Johnson in a Montana Supreme Court ruling this July. The records allegedly detail Johnson's — referred to as "John Doe" in court documents — reinstatement to the University after he was accused of rape and expelled in 2012. The 4-3 court decision set a legal precedent prioritizing an individual's right to privacy over the public's right to access government information.

"This case is not about protecting John Doe's purported privacy rights — those rights, if they ever existed, evaporated long ago when Jordan Johnson committed actions alleged to have been illegal and/or

unbecoming of a student athlete," Krakauer's attorney Mike Meloy stated in a 2018 court document. "This case is about protecting the public's paramount right to know in the absence of any reasonable counter-vailing privacy interests."

Krakauer, the author of notable works "Into the Wild" and "Into Thin Air," published "Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town" in 2015. His book highlighted the shortcomings in the University's process for reporting sexual assault. He included stories from multiple women, but the central narrative revolved around a rape accusation against then-quarterback Johnson.

While UM expelled Johnson after the accusation, he was reinstated after appealing the decision to the Montana Office of Commissioner of Higher Education, headed by Clay Christian. Johnson was acquitted by a

jury in Missoula County Court in 2013.

In 2014, Krakauer requested records describing Commissioner Christian's actions before Johnson's readmittance, which the commissioner declined to provide. Krakauer sued, bringing the issue to Lewis and Clark County District Court. He finally won the right to view a redacted version of the documents in 2018.

However, the Office of the Commissioner appealed the decision to the Montana Supreme Court twice. On July 3, the Supreme Court reversed the Missoula District Court's verdict.

In the Court's case summary, Montana Supreme Court Justice Laurie McKinnon wrote, "Doe [Jordan Johnson] has an enhanced privacy interest in his educational records based on the federal and state laws protecting his privacy rights... His expectation of privacy is one that society is willing to recognize as

reasonable."

According to McKinnon, the court took fault with the manner in which Krakauer made his request for records. She argued that Krakauer's request was solely targeted at retrieving records related to Commissioner Christian and Johnson, making it clear that Krakauer "is not interested in the Commissioner's handling of sexual assault investigations generally; he is interested in only the Commissioner's handling of Doe's investigation because Doe is a high-profile athlete."

The Court also ruled that Krakauer will be unable to reintroduce his petition for the records, and he will be denied attorney fees — a precedent that could deter the public from seeking out state records in the future. Unless Krakauer appeals the verdict to the U.S. Supreme Court, the decision could be the end of his five-year battle to retrieve Johnson's records.

UM names permanent deans to Honors College, Missoula College, College of Education

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Three new deans snatched permanent seats at UM, filling multiple vacant positions and forwarding an effort to hire long-term faculty leaders.

Dr. Tim Nichols will be leading the Davidson Honors College, Dr. Thomas Gallagher will be leading Missoula College, and Dr. Adrea Lawrence will be leading the Phyllis J. Washington College of Education. Four dean positions are currently held by interim leadership, according to the provost's website.

Lawrence is the only permanent female dean at the University, after the former dean of libraries, Shali Zhang, left last spring semester. "I appreciate the opportunity to lead one of the best education colleges in the Pacific Northwest," Lawrence said in a press release. "This is a college with a history of excellence, we just completed another amazing expansion to our building, and we have some exciting things planned for the future."

According to a UM news release, Lawrence's top three priorities as dean are to

increase support for early childhood education, help future educators excel at on-line and face-to-face education, and to expand the use of technology for students in the classroom, such as videoconferencing, virtual reality and robots.

Nichols began working with the Davidson Honors College in July. He comes from the University of Wyoming, where he taught honors classes. Nichols also led the Van D. and Barbara B. Fishback Honors College at South Dakota State University from 2009 to 2016.

In a press release, Nichols wrote, "I am thrilled to be named dean of the Davidson Honors College and look forward to working with its students, faculty, staff — and partners across the University, community and country — to build on its strong foundation for an even brighter future."

Gallagher began his duties as dean of the Missoula College in May and has been a UM faculty member since 2001. He has served as associate dean, director for the Information Technology degree program, director for the Missoula College Center of Academic Excellence for Cyber Defense, president of the Missoula College Faculty

Association and chair of the Department of Applied Computing and Engineering Technology, a UM news release said.

"The focus at Missoula College has always been serving students and the local community," Gallagher said in the release. "I look forward to continuing to work with the energetic team of faculty and staff in place. We are well-poised to further the comprehensive mission assigned to two-year colleges in serving our community."

UM's website has the complete list of both permanent and interim deans.

Dr. John DeBoer will work as interim dean for the College of Arts and Media. DeBoer headed the College of Visual and Performing Arts as interim dean last year before the program merged with the School of Journalism beginning fall semester.

The position for the dean of libraries was filled by Barry Brown at the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library.

Other interim deans include Jenny McNulty at the College of Humanities and Sciences, Nathan Lindsay at the School of Extended and Lifelong Learning and Suzanne Tilleman at the College of Business.



Adrea Lawrence, the new dean and a professor at the Phyllis J. Washington College of Education. | DANIEL DUENSING | MONTANA KAIMIN

University Center tomatoes ripe for the picking

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Walking around campus, near the University Center, you might notice some plump cherry tomatoes at the south entrance waiting to be picked by a few just-missed-the-Food-Zoo-by-five-minutes hungry hands.

Part of a UC Gardens annual tradition, tomatoes are planted at the beginning of the semester to surprise both new and returning students and visitors.

"We think it is welcoming and fun to share some of the food we grow with visitors to the UC," Kelly Chadwick, UC Gardens Manager, said.

The tomato plants themselves are completely free for the public. Signs posted in the planters remind voracious visitors to "snack

lightly and share with others." They also describe what types of tomatoes are on display. This year, it's Sungold and Super Sweet 100 Tomatoes.

Sungold tomatoes are cherry tomatoes that come in a variety of shades ranging from a plump red to a delicate yellow. What's notable is they remain ripe and ready to be picked over long periods of time. Super Sweet 100 are another breed of long fruit-bearers that can hold over 100 cherry tomatoes on one plant.

According to Chadwick, Super Sweet 100 plants will continue to produce tomatoes up until the first frost, though she believes the plants may be stripped bare of their fruits long before then by insatiable students.

"There seems to be many folks snacking and maybe some not so lightly," Chadwick said.



Three tomato vines sit near the University Center's south side entrance, Aug. 25, 2019. The tomatoes were planted during the summer but are continuing to ripen. HUNTER WIGGINS | MONTANA KAIMIN

Dr. West, Germanfest and trivia tests

Wednesday 28

Multi-hyphenate Dr. Cornel West will make an appearance at the Wilma Theater downtown to deliver the first lecture in the University of Montana's 2019-2020 President's Lecture Series. The philosopher, theologian, social justice and political activist is one of the country's most prominent voices on race. West is the author of more than 20 books, including "Democracy Matters," "Race Matters," and his memoir, "Brother West: Living and Loving Out Loud." He emphasizes the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 7:30 p.m. Free.

Curious about Greek life? Visit the Payne Native American Center fire pit for s'more roasting and chats with chapter members. 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Cheer on the Zoo's baseball champs at the Missoula Osprey vs. Billings Mustangs game at Ogren Park at Allegiance Field. Grab some peanuts and Cracker Jacks to really amp up the ol' ball-game feel. 7 p.m. \$9 general admission.

Thursday 29

The UM Lambda Alliance, UM Allies, the Student Involvement Network and other campus/community groups would like to extend a warm rainbow welcome to all with an ice cream social on the Oval. The LGBTQ-friendly event also features games, music and resources to anyone interested. 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Free.

Don't leave the Oval just yet! Stick around for a raucous good time with hip-hop artist Shakewell from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Squeeze in one last summer hurrah with Downtown Tonight in Caras Park. The free event features live music, yummy local food vendors and a beer and wine garden for those of age. It's the perfect place to

meet up with old friends or make entirely new ones in a uniquely Missoula experience. 5:30 p.m.

Friday 30

"Get your Griz on" during this year's WelcomeFeast on the Oval. The annual event, sponsored by Student Services, is a great way to kick off the semester with free food, music, campus life and academic information and an all-around good time. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Experience the drive-in feel with Missoula Outdoor Cinema. This summer-only event is the perfect low-key way to spend a Friday night, munching popcorn and soaking in a gorgeous Montana evening. This week's screening is Disney's "Moana." Missoula Head Start schoolyard, 1001 Worden Ave. Suggested donation \$5. Movie starts at sunset.

Lucky you and your thicc wallet. Nothing is more exhilarating than three hours bouncing around, swamp-assing it at the Flying Squirrel's Neon Lights Night. 9 p.m. to midnight. \$25 plus the cost of squirrel socks.

Saturday 31

The Badlander is the place to be Saturday nights if you're looking to show off your best dance moves. ABSOLUTELY with DJ Kris Moon is a sure bet as he spins house, techno and remixes of Top-40 hits. 9 p.m. 208 Ryman St. No cover. 21+

Sunday 1

Herzlich willkommen to Missoula! Germanfest is an annual event dedicated to all things Deutschland — food, music, beer, the works. The eclectic band S-bahn will provide German tunes with a modern

twist. Caras Park. 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Put on your best emo face and head to the Badlander for Dead Hipster's Sad Sunday. The DH crew will spin all your favorite hits (and non-hits) from that glorious turn of the millennium emo heyday. 9 p.m. 208 Ryman St. No cover. 21+

Monday 2

LABOR DAY. Your day is free to do what you wish. Use it wisely. Or don't; no judgment here.

Tuesday 3

Peruse UM Dining's new local produce stand, Farm to Market. You won't find fresher produce anywhere else, including

garden-ripened herbs, root veggies and berries. The best part? Some are grown right here on campus. The UC Market. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Montana Dirt Girls want women of all ages to get active. This welcoming gang of cycling fans encourage all of the female persuasion to explore what our beautiful region has to offer, all in a fun and social setting. Meeting places vary, but check out the group's Facebook page for details.

Tuesday Night Trivia at the VFW is the place to be if you want to show off your ability to remember useless bits of information — a handy trick now that you're a student, no? This is an all-ages event, but those of drinking age can imbibe \$2 domestic tall boys, well drinks and Fireball shots. VFW Post 209 Ole Beck. 8 p.m.



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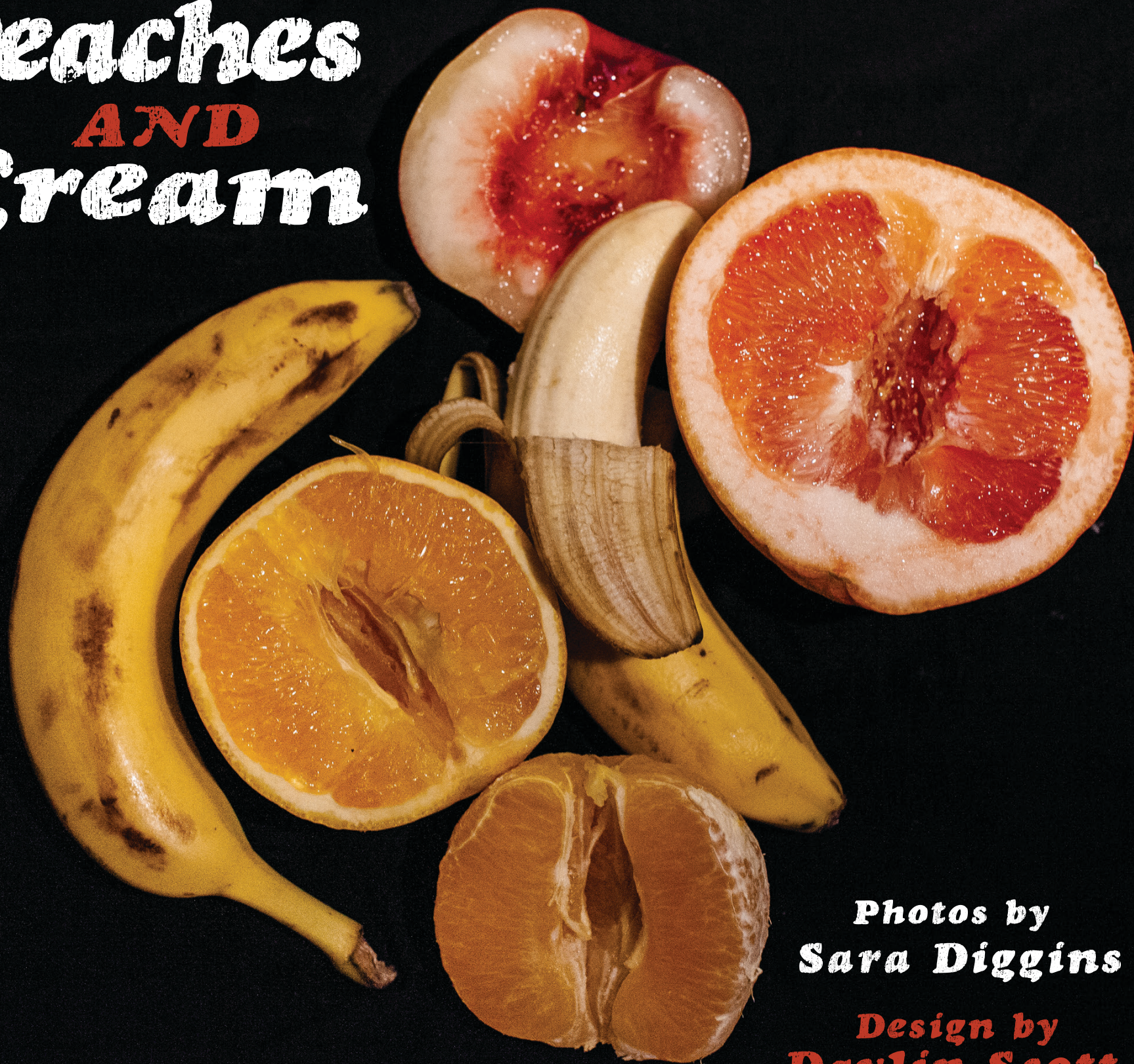


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Peaches AND Cream



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REMEMBER THE MOVIE “Mean Girls”? The one where there’s that cool mom who brings Regina George and her boyfriend snacks and condoms during a hookup? This article is that cool mom.

College is an exciting time. Without the shackles of living in your parents’ basement, you can finally get down and do all the reckless things you’ve been waiting to do. One of those exciting and thrilling — and a little scary — things, is sex. It doesn’t matter if you’re looking for a casual one-night stand or a long-term lover to fulfill your needs, you need to take care of yourself.

One in two sexually active people will contract a Sexually Transmitted Infection by the time they’re 25, according to the American Sexual Health Administration. That’s a lot, and despite half the country’s STI cases stemming from young people, only about 12% of them are getting tested each year.

And along with the health factors, it’s just as important to make sure you and your new bae are on the same page about doing it in the first place, whether you’ll use protection and what your boundaries are.

Talking about sex isn’t easy, but we’ve gotta do it. So that’s why we’re here, to give you all the actually important information your high school’s abstinence-first, sex-never curriculum never gave you.

CONSENT IS STILL SEXY

It would seem like the simplest part of engaging in sexual activity is asking if your partner is actually okay with being involved in said sexual activity. Yet, time and time again, this becomes one of the most complicated parts of being a person who is having sex. There’s one thing you can’t do it without: consent.

Easy enough, right? Yes means yes, no means no. If you attend the University, you’ve participated in the mandatory bystander training without escape. And as well-versed as we all are on the definition of consent, a refresher never hurts. Consent is an agreement between two individuals to engage in sexual activity, and while this agreement doesn’t necessarily have to be verbal, it often makes things a lot less complicated if it is. You or your partner can also use positive physical cues to let one

another know that you’re comfortable with whatever you’re doing, whether it be some light making out and a little over-the-shirt action, or going “all the way.”

The biggest problem with nonverbal consent is that there’s far more room for miscommunication. It’s important to remember that just because your partner isn’t saying “no,” doesn’t mean they’re saying “yes.” While you could be wholeheartedly enjoying yourself, your partner may not be. It’s easy to get caught up in the moment and assume the person you’re with feels the same way you do because sex is awesome and you’re having fun, so they must be having just much fun as you are, right? Every person comes with their own sexual history, preferences and boundaries, all of which contribute to the way they feel and respond to various types and intensity of sexual activity. So even if you think your partner is enjoying themselves, a simple “Is this okay?” can never hurt.

Another thing to keep in mind for those of you who are in relationships, or even hooking up with the same person regularly, is just because someone consents to one activity does not give consent for increased or reoccurring sexual activity. This includes if you’re in a monogamous, long-term relationship, or even if you’re married (in the state of Montana anyways, but we won’t delve too deeply into that). Consent is necessary for each and every sexual encounter and can be withdrawn by either partner at any time, for any reason. Every individual has ownership of their own body and just because you let someone touch you once does not mean they have any type of dictation over your body in the future.

Now, since we’re already talking about sex, we might as well toss in a bit about drugs and rock ‘n’ roll. Or maybe just the drugs? And replace the rock ‘n’ roll with alcohol? Sex, drugs and alcohol. Consent, though straightforward, seems to get more complicated when drugs and alcohol are involved, so let’s break it down. If someone is giving you verbal consent, but is clearly

under the influence of drugs or alcohol, it is not consent. If someone is incapacitated in any way, it is not consent. This includes slurred speech, being passed out, or being unaware of surroundings.

And let’s take a moment to remind ourselves about the importance of getting consent from male partners. Although sexual assault and rape are statistically more common among females, that doesn’t mean getting consent from male partners is any less important than getting it from female partners. Despite the way men and sex are often portrayed together, men have sexual history, preferences and boundaries, just as women do. This needs to be recognized in order for there to be communicative, consensual activity among partners.

There are no blurred lines guys, just put your glasses on.

- DAYLIN SCOTT

HOW TO DORM-ANCE

The ultimate fantasy: your new boo is giving you the look. Not the “Is that food in your teeth?” look, but the one that says it’s time to do the horizontal tango. The two of you sneak your way back to campus, playfully running around until you arrive at your door.

As hot as it is to get it on within the confines of a 150-square-foot dorm room equipped with a too-small-for-your-regular-sized-body twin bed, there’s no other option.

But there’s one problem. This isn’t just your door. On the other side of that key card entry lock is your roommate.

The most important conversation you can have with your new space-sharer is how you’re going to establish boundaries for a night of romance.

Your Resident Assistant probably already made you fill out a roommate agreement that asks lots of helpful questions, like, “Will we share cooking utensils?” or “Will you move out if I do a little underage drinking?” What if it didn’t



ask: “What will we do if one of us needs to use the room for sex?”

There are a variety of solutions here. You could decide to be close enough to always shoot a text with a string of not-so-cryptic emojis. Or, put a little band on the door handle, wink wink. Get creative, it’s going to be super weird, but it’s better to have a plan than be interrupted at the exact wrong moment.

Get permission beforehand if you’re planning on following up with a sleepover, and do the common courtesy of lighting a candle (whoops, oil diffuser, can’t go breaking the rules).

No matter whether you think you’ll be bringing someone home to hook up, always be prepared. Ask your roommate what’s okay and what’s not and respect their needs. After all, they probably aren’t too excited to spend two hours in the study lounge knowing you’re doing the nasty in the room you share. Your Netflix password and \$5 for ice cream could go a long way.

-CASSIDY ALEXANDER

IT’S NOT ALL STRAIGHTFORWARD

Getting an STI is already a scary experience for anyone. For many LGBTQ patients, the idea of getting an STI is more than just an awkward trip to the doctor’s office; it’s an anxiety-inducing rollercoaster ride of fear and generational trauma that hits at the harmful perception that gay people are a danger.

Due to a variety of issues stemming from systemic problems, LGBTQ people often face barriers when it comes to taking care of their sexual health.

The AIDS epidemic that began in 1981 is one of the most notable events in LGBTQ history in the United States. Caused by the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, the epidemic spread through LGBTQ communities in high urban centers due to a lack of general knowledge surrounding safe sex. However, officials in the Centers for Disease Control faced apathy from the Reagan administration, resulting in a lack of funding for researching the disease.

Famously, Dr. Don Francis, an epidemiologist working at the CDC during the outbreak, was told by officials in Washington in 1985 when he presented a plan to limit the spread of HIV to “look pretty and do as little as you can,” according to his own commentary in the Journal of Public Health Policy.

The fear the AIDS crisis created and perpetuated was fueled by a lack of understanding from public officials. The epidemic was labeled as the “gay plague” (even though AIDS infected heterosexual people just as much), demonizing the people it affected rather than helping them. For many people during the epidemic, disclosing that you were HIV positive meant losing much more than your health, such as your job and your family. Hiding it was meant being able to continue existing in society, even if it was on borrowed time.

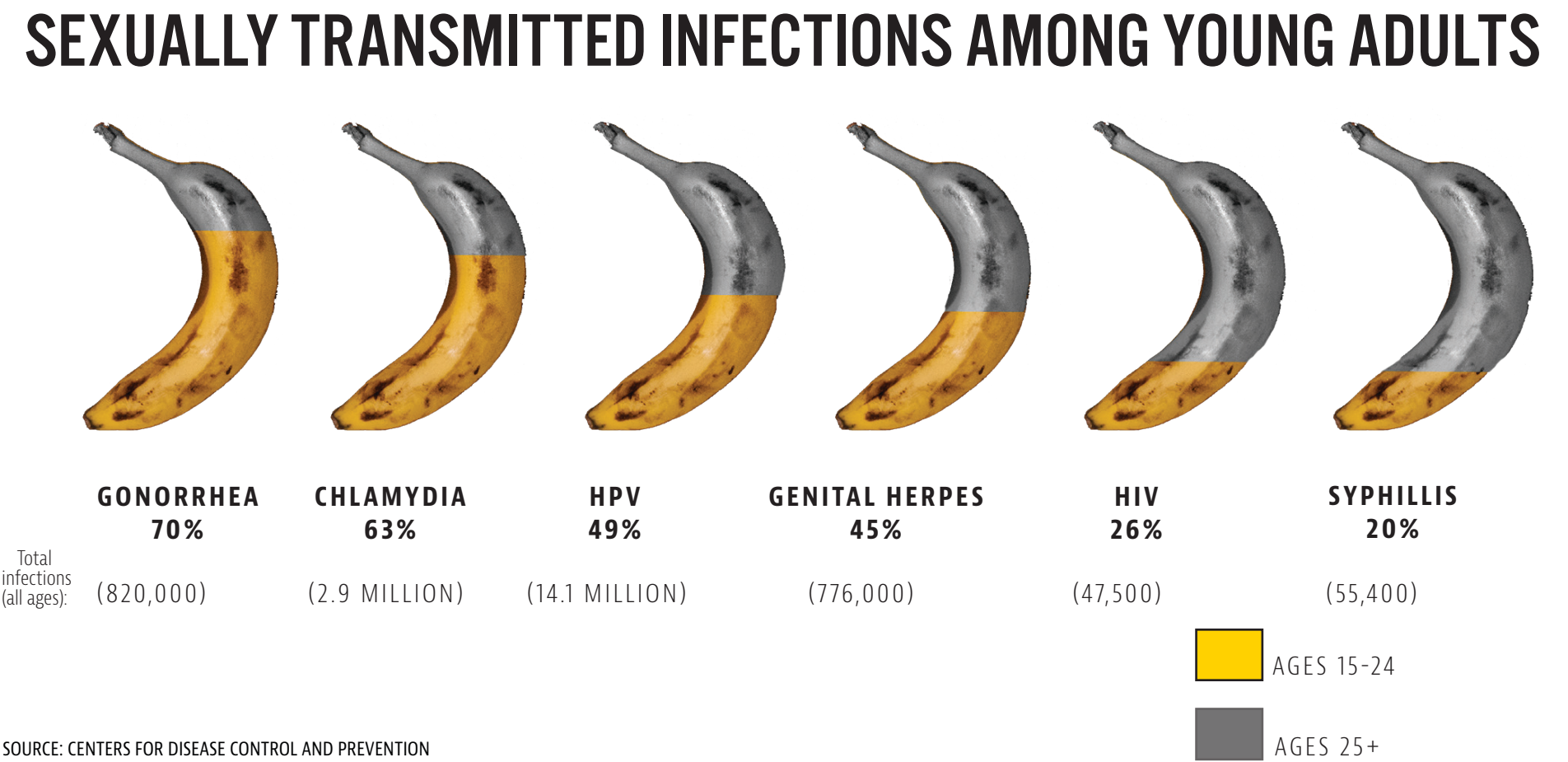
Thanks to the long and hard work of LGBTQ activists and medical providers, the AIDS crisis is not as dire as it was 30 years ago. But it’s not gone yet. According

to the Montana Communicable Disease Epidemiology Surveillance Snapshot for HIV in 2018, the number of people with AIDS when diagnosed has decreased by 15% from 2013, with 24 reported cases of HIV in 2018. Generally, these diagnoses are centered around city centers, like Billings and Missoula. Leading risk factors for transmission remain male-to-male sexual contact and drug use, which connects with Montana’s meth crisis as well.

According to David Herrera, the director of the Montana Gay Health Task Force (formerly the Gay Men’s Task Force) who has been involved in HIV prevention for over 34 years, this rate is one of many good signs for the AIDS crisis.

“Here in Montana, we tend to do a really good job of getting people who test positive [for HIV] into care as soon as possible,” Herrera said.

Much of the work that the Gay Health Task Force does is free HIV screenings and then PrEP referrals, which can later be deducted or fully covered by insur-



ance. PrEP, or pre-exposure prophylaxis, is a daily medication one can take that reduces the risk of an HIV infection, if used consistently, by more than 90%. That risk can be reduced even more if used in conjunction with condoms and other prevention methods. However, it doesn't guard against other STIs, like gonorrhea or chlamydia. Another medication, post-exposure prophylaxis or PEP, can be taken within 72 hours after being exposed to HIV and can be effective in preventing HIV if taken correctly, though not 100%.

More often than not, cost is one of the biggest barriers for LGBTQ people in getting care. Without insurance, tests can run into the hundreds of dollars, not even counting treatment, which Herrera believes keeps people, especially young gay people, from getting access to PrEP or regular STI testing.

"I think that there are a lot of people that are deciding, 'I can't afford that, so I'm not going to go.' That's not always the best thing if we're talking about potentially spreading STD infections," Herrera said.

Another factor that keeps LGBTQ people from getting sexual care is medical ignorance and discrimination. For trans and nonbinary people, finding providers that are up-to-date with terminology and health care, such as hormone therapy or sexual health, can be difficult. While many bigger medical outlets, like St. Patrick Hospital, Planned Parenthood or Partnership Health Center, are more inclusive with their intake forms and procedures, homophobia and transphobia still exists in some corners of the medical community, which is often a case of misunderstanding or misinformation. For LGBTQ people, getting medical providers to do extensive STI check-ups rather than just a urine test can be a test of self-advocating in an already nervous scenario.

"The most important thing for LGBT community members is to be honest and up-front with their medical providers and to let them know that 'I'm a gay man and I'm sexually active,' or, 'I'm a lesbian,' or 'I'm trans.' That's the only way that things are going to change," Herrera said.

- CONNOR SIMPSON

CARRY YOURSELF TO CURRY

To quote a certain Mr. Stan Lee, "With great power comes great responsibility." There are few places this rings truer than the world of sexuality.

We live in the real world, and sometimes things happen. Accidents occur, and even if they don't, regular testing for STIs is just another facet of a responsible sex life. Luckily for you, dear student, Curry Health Center is an invaluable resource for all things health-related. Yes, that includes what's going on underneath your denim jeans. The Kaimin knows visits to the doctor the first time can be a little scary, especially regarding something so, ahem, sensitive. We would like to set your minds at ease by outlining the sexual health services available right here on campus. It's not all clearing up gonorrhea.

Before we begin, it's important to remember the professionals at Curry are

there to help. No matter how embarrassing you might think the topic is, you'll be taken care of without judgment. We promise.

Let's start with the obvious: Curry offers screenings for a range of infections for both male-bodied and female-bodied people. The list is exhaustive — chlamydia, gonorrhea, HIV, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, genital warts, herpes and syphilis. Covering such a wide variety of infections is especially important when one considers some of these are asymptomatic, especially in men. Don't try to self-diagnose using some Google skills; you'll unleash the hypochondriac within. Let the doc do

the hard work. Your classes are stressful enough.

Of course, men and women have their own unique sexual issues requiring attention. Curry Health Center can help there, too. First and foremost, women needing annual checkups don't have to venture far. Contraceptives are the cornerstone of sexual health for many, and Curry offers

practically every kind available. A prescription for birth control immediately comes to mind, but there are plenty of options. Curry's professionals can insert and remove intrauterine devices, implant subdermal contraceptives—that's the kind that goes in your arm — and administer progestin shots. If it comes to it, one can eliminate uncertainties with an accurate pregnancy test, too. Remember that asymptomatic comment above? Human papilloma virus is especially tricky, potentially affecting fertility later in life. The HPV vaccine can help prevent such infections.

Men, don't feel left out here. In addition to STI screenings, Curry offers services you might not expect from a campus-based health center. Performance issues — that is, erectile difficulties — can strike men of any age. Physical issues, stress, mental or emotional causes can impact anyone. The medical team at Curry has seen it all, so there's no reason to delay a visit. Worried about the sudden appearance of a lump on the tender bits? No problem. Curry has experts in testicular can-





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cer at hand for screenings. Early detection is incredibly important, as we know.

Appointments can be made using your student health portal online. If you are taking seven or more credits at UM, you already pay a health fee. After your visit, you will be billed another fee through your student account that can then be sent to insurance for reimbursement.

We admit it can all be a little overwhelming, even frightening at times. Sexual health is a convoluted topic, which is why Curry's status as a place to ask

questions is arguably its most important feature. Even the sex-savviest of us aren't born with all the answers. Schedule an appointment with one of Curry's professionals by calling (406) 243-4330 and bring your toughest questions. We bet you won't be able to stump them.

- DREW NOVAK

LIKE AUNT KAREN USED TO SAY...

"Don't be silly, wrap your willy." "If you



think they're spunky, cover your monkey." "Make sure you wrap it before you tap it."

We've all heard it before from a creepy middle school health teacher, but condoms haven't gone out of style.

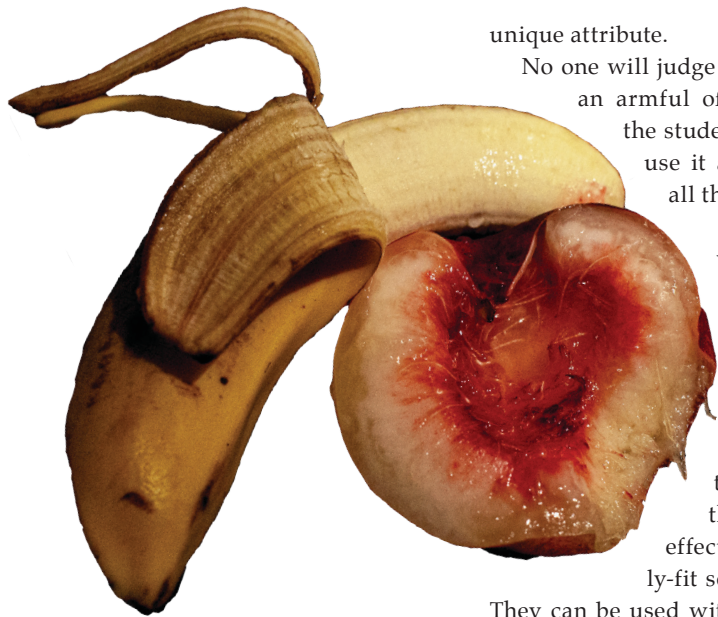
Not only are they 98% effective at preventing pregnancy, but they can act as an important barrier to STIs.

According to the CDC, condoms provide highly effective protection from STIs that are transmitted through bodily fluids, and some protection from those transmitted through skin contact. Transmission can

occur after just a single sexual encounter, so it's important to use protection correctly and consistently.

Putting on a condom can be tricky in the heat of the moment. Before every sexual encounter, get a new condom that was stored in a cool, dry place — do not keep them in your wallet or car.

A standard latex condom can stretch over a forearm, so no, you're not too big. Buy bigger condoms if it's really an issue. Make sure to use the right lube to avoid breaking.



unique attribute.

No one will judge you for scooping up an armful of condoms. You pay the student fee, might as well use it and protect yourself all the while.

Women are somewhat likely to be allergic to latex condoms, so check with your partner and think about some of the alternatives. Polyurethane condoms are thin plastic — equally effective but less tightly-fit so more likely to slip.

They can be used with all types of lubes. Polyisoprene condoms are made of another type of rubber without latex.

The truly natural option is lambskin condoms, made out of lamb intestine. They don't prevent STDs, but they do help prevent pregnancy.

Male-bodied people aren't the only ones who can use condoms. Female condoms provide more control, can be placed

eight hours beforehand and are good for both latex and lube allergies. These are also called "internal condoms" and have a flexible ring at both ends to hold it in place. Female condoms prevent STDs and require practice to insert properly.

Thinking you might eat out tonight? Consider using a dental dam. These are thin sheets of latex or like material placed between one person's mouth and another person's genitals during oral sex. They can be held in place by either partner and are effective at helping prevent STDs.

Part of consent is safety. If you agreed to use contraceptives, use them.

- CASSIDY ALEXANDER & SARA DIGGINS

IT'S A LITTLE COMPLICATED

Organizations that provide abortion referrals like Planned Parenthood are deciding what to do about federal funds and restrictions coming out of the Trump administration. This trickles down to availability of STI testing and sexual health services for people with lower incomes.

Knowing what your options are is be-

coming increasingly important. Researching where you are getting tested, what services they offer and comparing their fees and insurance policies will help you navigate the experience.

Planned Parenthood is off-campus, but another common place for college students to get tested. You can make an appointment online and get the specified care you need. Pricing for services varies and some testing and treatment may be covered by your insurance.

The six other off-campus options for STI and HIV testing in Missoula include the Montana Gay Health Task Force, Missoula City Counsel Health Department, LabCorp, Partnership Health Center, Blue Mountain Clinic, Open Aid Alliance, Missoula Urban Indian Health Center and Montana Migrant Health Program.

Saferstdtesting.com is a website that lays out what your local free and financially sound testing options are and can help you pick the place that is right for you. You have options and there are always online resources available to aid you.

- NOELLE HUSER

1 IN 2 SEXUALLY ACTIVE PEOPLE WILL CONTRACT A SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTION BY THE TIME THEY'RE 25





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How much partying is too much partying?

Welcome to fall semester. Football season. That means tailgates, kegs and eggs, and any other excuse we find to party from sunrise past sundown. Why not? We're young, wild, free — all that Wiz Khalifa shit.

It's hard to toe the line between typical college antics and dangerous levels of inebriety. It's especially hard if you've only recently gained full control over your day-to-day lives and don't have much prior experience with drugs and alcohol — looking at you, freshmen. Getting wasted is oddly acceptable in general (we grew up watching "Jersey Shore" after all), but college especially is portrayed in media as the most wild time of your life, when getting fucked up is a rite of passage. Media aren't the only culprits; geography plays a role as well.

According to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, Montana is the

fourth-drunkest state in America with the second-highest number of deaths related to drunk driving. Within Montana, Missoula is the drunkest city — take that, Bobcats. I drink more than the average American, but less than the average Missoulian. As I get older, I'm realizing that my liver doesn't care where I live, nor about our cultural practices.

And it's not as if drinking is all we do. Missoula is known for its drug culture even more than it is for alcohol consumption. As a hippie town, it's not uncommon to smell weed from random cars and houses on a daily basis. For the most part, weed is a responsible alternative to binge drinking. You don't hear about someone getting so stoned they get their stomach pumped, or, say, die. If you're going to overindulge in any substance during your tenure at college, I implore you to choose pot.

Still, weed is notoriously demotivating. College students are solely responsible for our own success, and finding the will to get to class doesn't get any easier after a wake-and-bake. As for other drugs, my best advice is to stick to what you can identify while looking at them (i.e. weed or mushrooms). Taking molly is all fun and games until you realize it's half meth and half baking soda. No, I'm not including prescription drugs in the "identifiable" category because, you know, the opiate crisis.

No matter what you're experimenting with, there are a few basic guidelines that tip you off if you're developing a problem. Do you stay home or avoid socializing in order to imbibe alone? Do you often forget what you did the night before and cringe when your friends give you the recap? Are you getting fewer invitations to parties because you

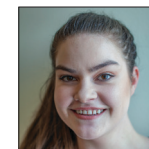
suck when you're wasted? If you answered "yes" to any of these, you aren't trash and you don't necessarily have to get immediately sober. You may want to talk to someone, however, to help navigate this complicated part of our lives.

Lucky for us, Curry has dope counselors (pun intended) who can be reached with or without an appointment. If you don't feel like you're at your best — be it due to partying or any other reason — hit them up. You won't regret it.

Call Curry Health Center at (406) 243-2290 or make an appointment online through your student health portal.

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Author and activist Cornel West starts President's Lecture Series

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Dr. Cornel West spent two hours on Joe Rogan's podcast in early August, where he discussed the origins of hip hop, the greatest Russian short story writers and the United States' "original sin" of decimating its indigenous peoples.

When the conversation turned toward the dynamic of tragedy and comedy, the scholar and political activist dipped into his decades of philosophical and theological study to illustrate the shortcomings of two particular philosophers.

"Jesus never laughed, and Socrates never cried," West said.

West will bring more of that insight with his lecture, "The Fight for the Soul of America," the first lecture of the University of Montana's President's Lecture Series for the 2019 school year at The Wilma, Wednesday Aug. 28.

The President's Lecture Series brings 10 speakers each year to UM to speak about important topics. Past speakers include David Brooks, Vandana Shiva and Cheryl Strayed.

West, an activist, author, educator and icon in the Black community is a graduate of Harvard and became the first African American to earn a Ph.D in philosophy from Princeton University. West published "Race Matters" in 1993. The bestseller came out one year after the Los Angeles riots, which were sparked by the acquittal of four police officers who were charged with assaulting Rodney King, an unarmed black man.

The "litmus test for American democracy," he wrote in the book's preface, is "how broad and intense are the arbitrary powers used and deployed against black people."

Real democracy, he wrote, has only been in practice in the United States since the passage of the Civil Rights Act in 1965, West wrote.

Despite West's support for Democratic candidates, he was known for criticizing former President Barack Obama for his use of drones in the Middle East and Joe Biden for his past support for segregationist senators to oppose bussing, which would cause



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schools to stay segregated.

He is also known for his thoughtful and sometimes heated debates on CNN, Fox News and "Real Time with Bill Maher" about presidential candidates, President Donald Trump and racial justice.

Elijah Fisher, pursuing a master's in acting at UM, said he will be attending the lecture because West is a leader in the black community.

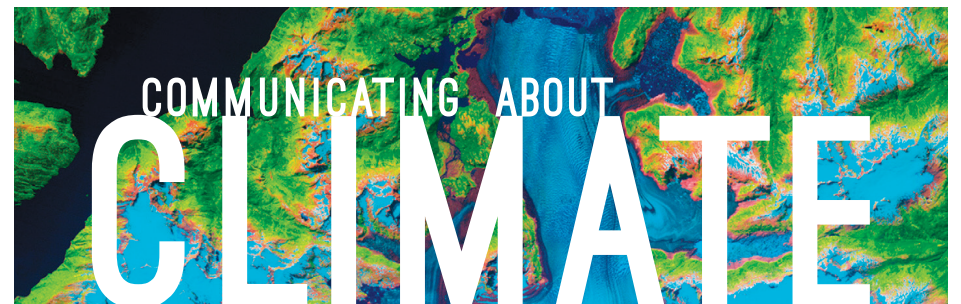
"That was enough to have me interested because there is such a huge lack of black leadership in this community," Fisher said.

The President's Lecture Series speakers from 2014-2016 were almost all white males. Out of 20 speakers, three were white women and just one was a woman of color. Fisher said he is concerned the speakers brought to UM don't reflect the U.S. as a whole.

He said it is tiring to explain to white people why this representation is so important. "There's whole research papers, books, presentations on why it's important," he said. "So my short answer: it just is."

The next President's Lecture Series guest will be "There There" author Tommy Orange, who will speak in the Dennison Theater in October.

The lecture is free and open to the public Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at The Wilma.



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When you're a conscious consumer, experience allergies or food sensitivities, or just curious about dairy-free and meat-free options, it can be confusing getting started in a new environment. Here are some tips to navigating the meatless corners of UM this year.

The Food Zoo labels daily dishes "V" for vegetarian and "VGN" for vegan, but a lesser-known vegan and gluten-free corner exists next to the Etcetera line. There's a cooler filled with vegan cream cheese, sour cream, ranch and assorted plant milks. You can also ask for a black bean veggie patty at the burger grill.

The Corner Store carries vegan frozen burritos, a good choice when you're in a hurry. The pizza vendor in the Corner Store will also make you a cheese-free pizza — their crust is vegan — and can be topped with marinara and your choice of veggies. For breakfast, look for bagels from Bagels on Broadway at locations like the Corner Store and Biz Buzz at the Business Building. Many are made without eggs or dairy. Incidentally, they are delicious. Get the everything bagel with a packet of peanut butter, or the chocolate chip bagel for your sweet tooth. And if anyone asks, you didn't toast it in your dorm room.

Invite your friends to walk to the Hip Strip on South Higgins Avenue when you want to spend real, actual dollars at local restaurants. There are four amazing options walkable from campus, including the ever popular Bridge Pizza. Although you can't get a prepared slice if you're avoiding dairy, you can order your own 12-inch pie on regular crust with Follow Your Heart vegan mozzarella. Bridge will deliver to your dorm for an extra \$2 (plus tip, of course). If you're craving a late night snack, just make sure you order before 10:15 p.m.

Across from Bridge is the holy trinity of Missoula vegan treats: sorbet at Big Dipper, donuts at Veera, and waffles at Green Source. Big Dipper rotates a selection of sorbets which don't contain any animal products. You've probably heard about this iconic local creamery; you'll see people lining up for a sweet scoop in any weather.

The all-vegan bakery Veera Donuts is a



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recent addition to the Missoula restaurant scene, making artisan donuts, breakfast sandwiches, the occasional soup and "pop tarts" — better than the kind you can find on your grocery store shelves. Business hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., but stop by earlier in the day for the best selection. If you're feeling generous, Veera also sells half-dozens, a great way to break the ice with your awkward roommate who hasn't spoken to you yet.

Green Source makes organic raw salads, smoothie bowls and pressed juice, but the waffles are the highlight. The basic comes with mixed berries on top, order with the vegan coconut whipped cream for an extra treat.

If you're not up to spending real dollars but still want to venture from the Corner Store or Food Zoo, remember that Flex Dollars can be spent at the Market and Jus Chill'n in the UC. Jus Chill'n makes wonderful fruit smoothies. The cafe also carries plant milk, like most coffee shops on campus, but usually costs an extra 75 cents. Check back throughout the semester for vegan protein powder; the popular item doesn't stay for long. The UC Market carries a large assortment of coconut yogurt, protein bars, chips, and yummy frozen meals.

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BCH Beginnings

MONTANA DPHHS

Happy Virgo season, ya bunch of crazies

We can't imagine how lost you've been this summer without our astrological guidance, zodiac fam. We're sorry you've had to navigate your lives without our sage wisdom, but we're back just in time to help you make this your best semester yet. We're kicking off Virgo season, which means this week is all about making good, responsible decisions.

CAPRICORN (DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 19): You've still got that lazy summer attitude, and getting back on that school grind isn't coming easy. We have your solution: crystal meth.

AQUARIUS (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18): You're thirsty for a sense of community.

UM has a myriad of clubs to join, but they can be hit-or-miss. We'd opt for a cult. Montana is filled with them. Still, if you can't find the right fit, just start your own! You know you've got the charisma for it.

PISCES (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20):

The mob is after you. Why? You know what you did. Pro tip: You can't get smacked by the mob if you're in the mob. Watch some episodes of "The Sopranos" and prepare for your new life.

ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 19): You're kicking off the semester with gusto, kid, and we're proud of you. Be sure to schedule self-care time so you can maintain your enthusiasm. Perhaps a self-induced coma around midterms can keep you at your best. Remember, school is a marathon, not a sprint.

TAURUS (APRIL 20 - MAY 20): Stay away from flowers this week, Taurus. Your rising moon is in Jupiter, leaving your botanical knowledge in jeopardy. Heed our warning or the so-called "wildflowers" you pick on your next hike will poison your entire family.

GEMINI (MAY 21 - JUNE 20): You're having problems with a messy roommate. Avoid confronta-

tion by adopting a raccoon — they'll eat the trash and, if you're lucky, your roommate.

CANCER (JUNE 21 - JULY 22): Bees. Everywhere you go, bees. Douse your hair in sugar water and let them make a nest on your head. Appease them, for the fate of the bees is in your hands.

LEO (JULY 23 - AUGUST 22): Your neighbor knows you use their Wi-Fi and they're coming to seek vengeance this Saturday. Your best bet is getting the hell out of Dodge — or at least your apartment — all weekend. You need a mini-vacation anyway, after a long week of syllabus days you skipped.

VIRGO (AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 22): It's

your time to shine, baby! This can feel overwhelming due to your selfless, shy nature.

A subtle way to show off your confident side is to wear a crown every

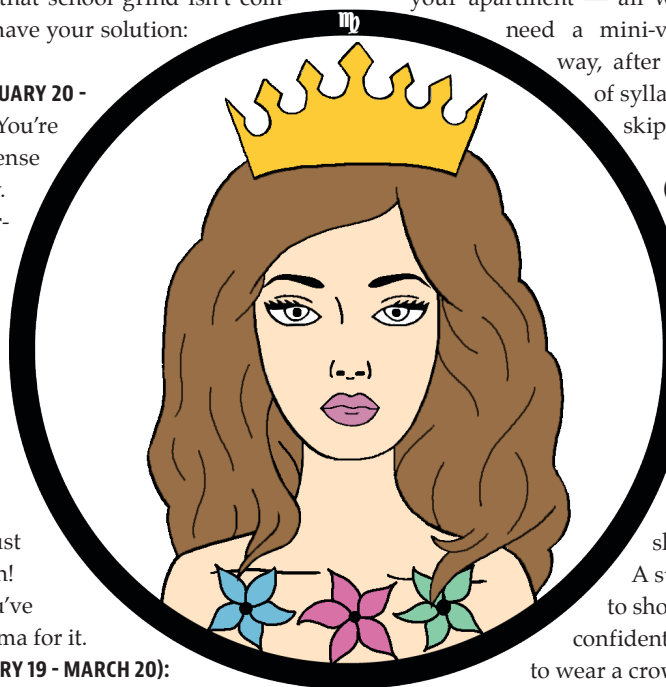
day this week, "white girl on

her birthday" style. Extra points if you refer to your classmates as "peasants."

LIBRA (SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22): Give your residence hall a break, Libra, nobody likes the dorm mom. They do, however, like the dorm aunt-who-ruins-Christmas. When in doubt, give out Jell-O shots in the bathroom!

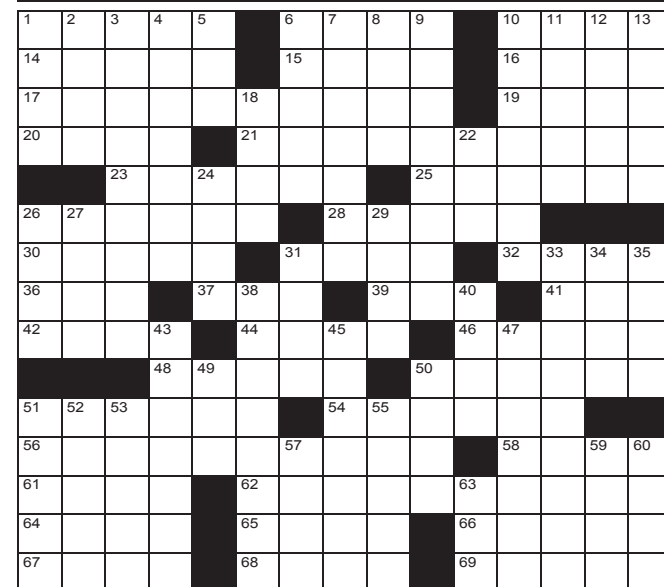
SCORPIO (OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21): Back away from the TV, for it is not your friend. Netflix and chilling your summer away is all fine and dandy, but it won't help you pass bio. Unless you're watching "Grey's Anatomy," in which case, you're basically a doctor already.

SAGITTARIUS (NOVEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 21): There's no helping you, Sag. It's time for Plan B: nomadism. Migrate south with the birds; you know you want to.



The Weekly Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Small boat
6 Island east of Java
10 Toy gun ammo
14 Ho-hum feeling
15 Full of zeal
16 Kind of mitt
17 Fun and games
19 Famous Ranger
20 2005 film, "___ Flux"
21 Bean-counter's concern
23 Chief ore of lead
25 Library patron
26 Bad-smelling
28 Guitar sound
30 Astrological ram
31 University V.I.P.
32 Apiece
36 Protrude
37 Water tester
39 "___ showtime!"
41 Seashell seller
42 Singer Tori
44 In-box contents
46 Surgical instrument
48 Grand ___
50 Post and Times, e.g.
51 Friday dress, perhaps
54 Charm
56 A known unknown?
58 Common flag symbol
61 Picnic spoiler
62 Common flooring stone
64 Unpopular spots?
65 Haul
66 Unescorted

- 67 Malicious look
68 Washstand item
69 Plane anagram

DOWN

- 1 Medical fluids
2 On bended ___
3 With one's identity hidden
4 Hot spot
5 Old-time expletive
6 Twirler's stick
7 Rile up
8 Heist haul
9 Unenlightened
10 Cut-and-paste art
11 Bypass
12 Rigatoni relative
13 Vile smile
18 Not up yet
22 1987 movie, "Tin ___"
24 Lean to the side
26 Indian royal
27 Lily plant
29 Cry out
31 Fall on ___ ears
33 Claim
34 "Tea with Mussolini" actress
35 Towel word
38 Breakfast entree
40 Insult, slangily
43 Striking beauty
45 Go over again
47 James or John
49 ___-been
50 Crown of the head
51 Shade of pink
52 Swiftly
53 Paris river
55 Emphatic refusal
57 Cornfield concern
59 Paquin of "The Piano"
60 It holds the line
63 Gavel action

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

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FOOTBALL

Montana is coming into the season ranked dead last in the Football Conference Subdivision's Top 25, and this year's lineup won't be easy for the Griz.

Four other Big Sky teams landed higher in the pecking order than Montana. In the third game of the season, the Griz will face Football Bowl Subdivision No. 12 Oregon State. Three games against ranked teams will be held in Washington-Grizzly Stadium: Idaho State on Oct. 5, Eastern Washington on Oct. 26 and Weber State on Nov. 16.

Bobby Hauck is in his second year of his second term as head coach; he took his first stint as head coach from 2003 to 2009. During that time, Montana earned seven conference crowns and postseason berths and made three national championship appearances. Last season concluded 6-5, and Montana should have plenty of room for improvement after a hefty recruiting season.

This year's Brawl of the Wild will be in Bozeman. The Bobcats have won for the past three years.

If you're hoping for a year of glory and the conference title, lower your expectations. Keep an eye out for redshirt senior linebacker Dante Olson, redshirt junior receiver Samuel Akem and redshirt senior cornerback Justin Calhoun.

Tickets are no-charge for students and can be reserved at griztix.com. The Griz play their first home game Saturday, Sept. 7, against North Alabama. It's a maroon-out game and kickoff is at 7 p.m. in Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

SOCCER

The Griz are reigning conference champions coming into the 2019 season. Montana went into the 2018 Big Sky tournament ranked fifth, advancing to the program's fourth NCAA tournament in school history.

There are no seniors on the roster, with seven returning starters. Eleven freshman and one transfer join the team of 27.

This is head coach Chris Citowicki's sec-



The University of Montana marching band performs during the halftime break at last season's first football game against the University of Northern Iowa on Sept. 1, 2018. The Griz won the game 26-23. SARA DIGGINS | MONTANA KAIMIN

ond year with Montana. J. Landham is joining the coaching staff alongside third-year assistant coach Katie Benz.

Last season's leader in goals and starting forward Alexa Coyle will return alongside All-Big Sky goalie Claire Howard and All-Big Sky midfielder Kennedy Yost. Two forward starting positions will be up for grabs by freshman players.

Another conference championship isn't out of reach for the team. Clenching a spot in the tournament should be a much smoother path for Montana than last year. Out of the first 11 matches of the 2018 season, the Griz only won a single game.

Montana opened the season against the University of North Dakota State, concluding with 0-0 and 1-1 draws, respectively. The Griz face Washington State, which knocked Montana out of the first round of the NCAA tournament last season, Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the South Campus Stadium. Students only need to show their Griz cards for entry.

CROSS COUNTRY

There are no seniors on Griz cross country. The Griz finished the Big Sky Conference championship in 10th last season, with no runners breaking into the top 10 times. Northern Arizona has taken the conference title for the past seven years. Keep an eye out for returners Kyle Peterson and Ben Vanderbosch. With a team half full of freshmen, this will likely be a building year for the Griz.

The women's team finished ninth in the Big Sky Conference, also with no runners breaking into the top 10 times. June Eastwood, a senior, returns to Montana cross country after a year without competing. Sophomore Erica Simison was a top performer for the women's team last season, and should continue to stand out. Up-and-coming sophomores Rachel Torrey and Hannah Wiley will add depth to the team made up of mostly seniors.

The Montana Invitational will be held Friday, Oct. 4, in Missoula. Students only need to show their Griz cards for entry.

VOLLEYBALL

Nearly half of Montana's volleyball team is new to the roster. The Griz kept some talented players — returning starters Sarina Moreno, Missy Huddleston and Ashley Watkins.

Watkins is sixth in school history for assists, with more than 2,500.

Last year's conference season concluded 7-11. With 10 victories overall, the team saw the most wins per season since 2013. It was also the first time Montana qualified for the Big Sky Conference tournament since 2014.

Head coach Allison Lawrence took over the team in 2017. Since then, assists, blocks, kills and digs statistics have all significantly improved. Despite the young roster, Montana could land a spot in the Big Sky tournament again this year.

The next home game is at the Farmer's State Bank Invitational. Montana plays CSU Bakersfield at 6 p.m. on Sept. 13. Students only need to show their Griz card for entry at the West Auxiliary Gym, the first serve is at noon.

UM Athletics adds 5 new coaches for 2019-20 seasons

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Griz Athletics introduced five new coaches for the cross country, track and field, and basketball teams for the 2019-20 seasons.

Assistant coach Sarah O'Brien joined the softball program after her winning season as assistant coach at the University of Houston. The team held a 39-19 record and advanced to the NCAA tournament.

O'Brien enjoyed the move to Missoula, and the friendliness of the community has really stood out to her, she said.

Having grown up in the Pacific Northwest, O'Brien's goal was always to move back, which played a role in her decision to take the coaching position at the University of Montana, she said.

"It was a great opportunity both professionally and personally," O'Brien said.

O'Brien said she is looking forward to pushing her team and making them better athletes as well as better people in accordance with her life motto: "Love people well."

The women's basketball team welcomed assistant coach Nathan Covill after coaching three seasons at Willamette University, a Divi-

sion III school in Salem, Oregon. Covill met his wife at UM as a student playing on the men's team while his future wife played on the women's team.

Covill said he is excited to be back and has noticed just how much the basketball program, the athletic facility and the University have grown since he was gone. However, he is still familiar with the program and understands what it means to be able to coach back at his alma mater.

"It's not only special, it's a little bit stressful," Covill said. "I take the traditions and legacy that have been put in place here seriously."

The men's basketball team is also introducing a new assistant coach for this season. Zach Payne spent the last men's basketball season with Portland State as an assistant coach.

Prior to coming to Montana, Payne had a relationship with current Montana basketball coaches Chris Cobb, Jay Flores and head coach Travis DeCuire, according to Griz Athletics.

Former Southern Virginia coach, Clint May is the new head cross country coach and assistant coach with the track and field program coaching the distance runners.

May's experience with long-distance running started in Montana running for MSU and



Cross Country athletes Jessica Bailey, right, Hannah Wylie, second from left, and Rachel Torrey, left, run in the Montana Invitational race on Sept. 28, 2018.
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coaching 10 seasons as head coach for Bozeman High, where his team won almost 20 state championships for the boys' and girls' teams, according to Griz Athletics.

Griz Athletics hired Paul Barrett as the new throwing coach for the Montana track and field team. He had been at the University of Wyoming for the past 24 years.



Cross country coach Clint May.
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Barrett said he enjoys coaching the under-recruited athletes and helping them gain elite status, which is why Montana felt like such a good fit.

Playing	Date	Time	Location
Missoula Osprey Baseball vs. Billings Mustangs	August 28	7:05 p.m.	Ogren Park
Missoula Osprey Baseball vs. Billings Mustangs	August 29	7:05 p.m.	Ogren Park
Griz Volleyball vs. UC Davis	August 30	11:00 a.m.	Davis, California
Griz Volleyball v. Pacific University	August 30	6:00 p.m.	Davis, California
Missoula Osprey Baseball vs. Idaho Falls Chukars	August 30	7:05 p.m.	Ogren Park
Griz Soccer vs. Washington State	August 30	8:00 p.m.	Spokane, Washington
Cross Country @ Clash of the Inland Northwest	August 31	11:00 a.m.	Cheney, Washington
Griz Football vs. South Dakota	August 31	1:00 p.m.	Vermillion, South Dakota
Griz Volleyball vs. San Jose State	August 31	1:00 p.m.	Davis, California
Missoula Osprey Baseball vs. Idaho Falls Chukars	August 31	7:05 p.m.	Ogren Park
Griz Soccer vs. Gonzaga	September 1	2:00 p.m.	Spokane, Washington

Grizzly Encounters

Families and fans descended on Washington-Grizzly stadium Friday evening, Aug. 23 to meet their favorite athletes, have fun on the field, and watch a movie with the Griz.

The Great Griz Encounter is a traditional opportunity for fans, especially kids, to meet their favorite football or volleyball players, or to say hello to the Spirit Squad.

This year, University of Montana Football Head Coach Bobby Hauck introduced quarterback Dalton Sneed to the fans. Sneed spoke about the importance of the training the team put in over the summer, and how he feels confident going into the first match.

For the second year in a row, the evening wrapped up with a movie on the field. This year's chosen film: "Captain Marvel."

TOP RIGHT: University of Montana Head Football Coach Bobby Hauck, right, introduces quarterback Dalton Sneed to the crowd. Sneed spoke on his confidence in his team's ability and training going into the season.

BOTTOM RIGHT: University of Montana freshman tight end Noah Ambuehl glances at the livestream on the screen at the end of the Washington-Grizzly stadium during the Great Griz Encounter on Aug. 23.

BOTTOM LEFT: A member of the University of Montana Spirit Squad greets a young fan during the event. The little girl charmed Spirit Squad members by dressing up as a cheerleader.

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